

## Proposed Minutes

### Minutes of the New York State Board of Elections February 6, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Board of Elections was held at the office of the New York State Board of Elections, 40 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room and was called to order at approximately 12:01 p.m. The meeting was chaired by Commissioner Peter Kosinski. Commissioners present were Anthony Casale, and Commissioners Henry Berger and Essma Bagnuola attended remotely. Staff members present were Kristen Zebrowski Stavisky, Raymond J. Riley III, Thomas Connolly, Brendan Lovullo, Amy Hild, Brian Quail, Kevin Murphy, Aaron Suggs, Kathleen McGrath, Jennifer Wilson, Michael Haber, and Enforcement Counsel Michael Johnson.

Public Campaign Finance Board Commissioner Brian Kolb made a statement to the Board.

**Minutes from December 7, 2023** - Minutes were approved. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

Motion to approve the ballot access recommendations as submitted by the staff. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

#### Unit Updates:

**Executive** – Ray Riley reported on several items including:

- Election Commissioners' Association of NY held their winter conference in Albany in January where the Board attended, presented, and provided guidance.
- Renovation and space planning update.
- Online and Automatic Voter Registration update.

**Election Operations** – Amy Hild reported that the Election Operations unit is working on several issues including:

- Staff conducted acceptance testing for approximately 3,000 voting machines since the last board meeting.
- Assisted in revision and development of new absentee and early voting applications.
- Working with the Office of Court Administration on certification of the judicial vacancies.

**Legal** – Kevin Murphy reported on activities related to the Counsel/Compliance unit including:

- Litigation update.
- Redistricting update.
- Compliance statistics.

**Enforcement** – Michael Johnson reported on the Enforcement Division including:

- Enforcement report detailing the following closed investigations:
  - E2021-023, E2021-085, E2022-093, E2023-014, E2023-040
  - E2023-084, E2023-119, E2023-122, E2023-123, E2023-126
  - E2023-131, E2023-134, E2023-148, E2023-160, E2023-161
  - E2023-166, E2023-168, E2023-172, E2024-002, E2024-005
  - E2024-006
- In the process of starting a new contract for process servers.
- Non-filer litigation update.

**PIO/NVRA** – Kathleen McGrath reported that the PIO/NVRA unit is working on several issues:

- Successful launch of website refresh for the State Board’s website on January 23, 2024.
- Traditional and social media update.
- Grants update.

**ITU** – Michael Haber reported on projects the IT unit is working on, including:

- Relocating approximately ninety staff and their IT assets to new work areas.
- Successful development and deployment of the Early Mail Voting request portal by January 1, 2024.
- Procurement process for the integrated software.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

- VOTE on Resolution 24-01 to appoint Jude Seymour as Deputy Director of Election Operations. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**
- VOTE on Resolution 24-02 to approve revised Absentee Ballot Application. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**
- VOTE on Resolution 24-03 to approve revised Early Mail Ballot Application. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**
- VOTE on Resolution 24-04 to approve revised Early Mail Ballot Application for School Districts. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**
- VOTE on Resolution 24-05 to approve revised Early Mail Ballot Application for Villages. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 24-06, as amended, to approve the ES&S PowerProfile 15.3 Voter Registration System. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 24-07 honoring former Co-Chair and Commissioner Douglas Kellner. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· VOTE on Resolution 24-08 honoring former Commissioner Andrew Spano. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

· MOTION to adjourn. **The motion was approved unanimously (Commissioners Bagnuola, Berger, Casale, and Kosinski voting in the affirmative; 4 Yes and 0 No).**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:23 p.m.